Absorption of Trainees of HAL, Nasik Division

. 1472. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of. DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a memorandum dated 27-8-91 from Nasik Worker's Union (CITU),-Nasik regarding absorption of 126 Fourth year trainees of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Nasik Division;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to absorb these trainees;

(c) whether it is a fact that HAL, Nasik has been operating with "shortage of manpower";

(d) whether in order to cope up with the work load with the existing manpower, HAL, management is deploying the existing manpower on overtime duty; and

(e) .whether absorption of above mentioned trainees would help to save overtime expenditure and ease the heavy workload on the existing staff?

THE MINISTER OF STATE; IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Presently, it has not been found possible to absorb these trainees as regular employees of the Company in view of the fact that there is no requirement of additional manpower based on present order book position. However, HAL have already circulated the list of the ex-: trainees to other Public Sector Undertakings for considering them for appointment against suitable posts In their organisations.

(c) No, Sir,

(d) Overtime in Nasik Division arises on account of the periodic peaking of load due to production exigencies and is a temporary phenomenon.

(e) Does not arise.

Plan Allocations to Rajasthan for Water supply

1473. SHRI GAJ SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PRO-GRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the life Insurance Corporation of India tend to make available loan to Rajasthan Government within the plan allocation for water supply scheme: for its share in the Jodhpur Lif Canal;

(b) whether it is a fact that the State Government has requested the Central Government and the Plann ing Commission to direct the LIC to first make available its share of thi, loan and thereafter consider a com mercial loan at 14 per cent interest whether the request has not been acceded to so far; and if so the re asons therefor; and

(c) whether the State Governmen approached the Planning Commissioi to expedite the sanction of the Res erve Bank for the additional loan a the commercial rate of 14 per cen' if so what is the response?

THE MINISTE R OF STATE (IN DEPENDENT CHARGE) OF TH MINISTRY OF PLANNING ANT PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATIOl (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) N< Sir. In a meeting held in the Plan ing Commission which was also at1 ended by officials from Govemmer of Rajasthan as well as LIC, it WE .confirmed by the LIC representativ that LIC's share for Jodhpur Li Canal Water Supply Project will Rs. 23.69 crores and the same wi be outside plan allocation carryin interest at the then prevailing rate < 14 per cent p.a.